

after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Reid (for Johanns) Amendment No. 4596 (to Amendment No. 4595), Reid (for Nelson (FL)) Amendment No. 4595 (to Amendment No. 4594), and Reid (for Baucus/Landrieu) Amendment No. 4594 at 11 a.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: September 15, to hold hearings to examine the National Organic Law at 20, focusing on sowing seeds for a bright future, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: September 14, Subcommittee on Defense, business meeting to markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

September 16, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the promise of human embryonic stem cell research, 10 a.m., SD-124.

September 16, Full Committee, business meeting to markup proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Defense, Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, and the Legislative Branch, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Armed Services: September 16, to hold hearings to examine the current security situation on the Korean Peninsula; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 15, to hold hearings to examine covered bonds, focusing on potential uses and regulatory issues, 10 a.m., SD-538.

September 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Treasury Department's report on international economic and exchange rate policies, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: September 16, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 15, to hold hearings to examine the federal role in national rail policy, 2 p.m., SR-253.

September 16, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Reagan Washington National Airport and the Perimeter Rule, 2 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 15, to hold hearings to examine banking reform, focusing on capital increase proposals from multilateral development banks, 10 a.m., SD-419.

September 16, Full Committee, business meeting to consider Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms,

signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc. 111-05), 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: September 15, business meeting to consider S. 3751, to amend the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, and the nominations of Subra Suresh, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Science Foundation, Mary Minow, of California, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, and any pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 15, to resume hearings to examine nuclear terrorism, focusing on strengthening our domestic defenses, 10 a.m., SD-342.

September 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 3 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 14, Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, to hold hearings to examine rape in the United States, focusing on the chronic failure to report and investigate rape cases, 2:15 p.m., SD-226.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine prohibiting obscene animal crush videos in the wake of "United States v. Stevens", 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Susan L. Carney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Amy Totenberg, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, James Emanuel Boasberg, and Amy Berman Jackson, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, and James E. Shadid, and Sue E. Myerscough, both to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, 2 p.m., SD-226.

September 16, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 3675, to amend chapter 11 of title 11, United States Code, to address reorganization of small businesses, S. 3717, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Company Act of 1940, and the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to provide for certain disclosures under section 552 of title 5, United States Code, (commonly referred to as the Freedom of Information Act), S. 2888, to amend section 205 of title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualifying law school students participating in legal clinics from the application of the general conflict of interest rules under such section, and the nominations of Kathleen M. O'Malley, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, Beryl Elaine Howell, and Robert Leon Wilkins, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Edward Milton Chen, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Louis B. Butler, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin, John J. McConnell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, Goodwin Liu, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Robert Neil Chatigny, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, and Michael J. Moore, to be United